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**Notice of Hearing**  
**ADOPTION OF 2008 BUILDING ENERGY EFFICIENCY**  
**STANDARDS**

**Availability of 15-Day Language and Opportunity for Comment**

Notice is hereby given that the California Energy Commission proposes to adopt revisions to the Building Energy Efficiency Standards contained in the California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 6 (also known as the California Energy Code) and associated administrative regulations in Part 1. The proposed amended standards are called the "2008 Building Energy Efficiency Standards" and will go into effect in 2009.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 2008**

10 a.m.

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1516 Ninth Street  
First Floor, Hearing Room A  
Sacramento, California  
(Wheelchair Accessible)

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[www.energy.ca.gov/webcast](http://www.energy.ca.gov/webcast)

**Availability of 15-Day Language**

The proposed standards language (15-Day Language Express Terms) written in plain English and set forth in a format that indicates affected portions of the existing text and the proposed amendments to the text, as well as most of the other documents in the rulemaking file, is posted on the Energy Commission's website at [[www.energy.ca.gov/title24/2008standards/rulemaking/documents](http://www.energy.ca.gov/title24/2008standards/rulemaking/documents)] and is also available from the Energy Commission's Buildings and Appliances Office.

The 15-Day Language documents are available on the Energy Commission's website as noted above. For copies of the 15-Day Language documents in hard copy, contact Linda Franklin at (916) 654-4064 or by e-mail at [[lfrankli@energy.state.ca.us](mailto:lfrankli@energy.state.ca.us)].

All of the documents in the rulemaking file are available in the Energy Commission's Dockets Office. For copies please contact:

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Dockets Office  
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(916) 654-5076

## **Written Comments**

Written comments related to this hearing must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on April 22, 2008. The start date of the comment period is April 7, 2008, and the end date is April 23, 2008, which is the adoption date for the proposed amendments. Please include the Docket Number 07-BSTD-1 "Building Energy Efficiency Standards 15-Day Language Express Terms" in the subject line or first paragraph of your comments. Any interested person may submit written comments on the proposed amendments and additional documents relied upon. Written comments shall be e-mailed to [[Docket@energy.state.ca.us](mailto:Docket@energy.state.ca.us)] or mailed or delivered to the following address (e-mailing is preferred):

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION  
Attention: Docket No. 07-BSTD-1  
Dockets Office  
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All written comments must indicate "Docket No. 07-BSTD-1." When comments are e-mailed on behalf of an organization, the comments should be a scanned copy of the original on the organization's letterhead and include a signature of an authorized representative. All written materials relating to this workshop will be filed with the Dockets Unit and become part of the public record in this proceeding.

Comments may also be filed electronically by e-mail [[cgekas@energy.state.ca.us](mailto:cgekas@energy.state.ca.us)] or FAX to (916) 654-4304.

## **Background**

In November 2007, the Energy Commission published a Notice of Proposed Action (NOPA) regarding revisions to the California Building Energy Efficiency Standards, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Parts 1 and 6. In the NOPA, the Energy Commission listed January 30, 2008, as a proposed adoption date for 45-Day Language for the Energy Efficiency Standards. The NOPA also stated that:

The hearing before the full Energy Commission for final adoption of the 45 Day Language Express Terms will be held on the date below [January 30, 2008] unless the Commission decides to make substantive changes to the Express Terms through 15-Day Language, in which case the public hearing will be continued to a later noticed date ... If the Commission decides to propose 15-Day Language modifications to the Express Terms, separate notice of the adoption hearing for the 15-Day Language will be provided.

This Notice of Hearing serves as the “separate notice of the adoption hearing for the 15-Day Language.”

Should the Energy Commission determine that substantial changes to the 15-Day Language are needed, this item will be continued to a future public hearing, a revised set of 15-Day Language documents will be prepared, and the future public hearing will be noticed separately.

### **Additional Documents Relied Upon**

*Impact Analysis - 2008 Update to the California Energy Efficiency Standards for Residential and Nonresidential Buildings*, November 7, 2007, Architectural Energy Corporation.

### **Energy Commission Contact Person for Procedural and Administrative Questions**

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### **Contact Person for Substantive and/or Technical Questions on the Proposed Changes to Building Standards**

Specific questions regarding the substantive and/or technical aspects of the proposed changes to the building standards should be addressed to:

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### **Public Participation**

The Energy Commission's Public Adviser's Office provides public assistance in participating in Energy Commission activities. If you would like information on how to participate in this hearing, please contact the Public Adviser's Office at (916) 654-4489, toll free at (800) 822-6228, or by e-mail at [pao@energy.state.ca.us](mailto:pao@energy.state.ca.us).

If you have a disability and require special accommodations, please contact Lou Quiroz at (916) 654-5146 (five days prior to the public hearing).

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Mailing Date: April 7, 2008

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